



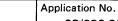
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Advisory Action

THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE: [check only a					
a) X expires <u>three</u> months from the m					
 expires either three months from the ma is later. In no event, however, will the s rejection. 	iling date of the final rejection, or on the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final				
date on which the response, the petition, and the determining the period of extension and the corre	a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The efee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of esponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be tened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.				
	the date of the Notice of Appeal filed on (or within any never is later). See 37 CFR 1.191(d) and 37 CFR 1.192(a).				
Applicant's response to the final rejection, file but is NOT deemed to place the application in	ed on <u>Sep 7, 1999</u> has been considered with the following effect, a condition for allowance:				
$oxed{X}$ The proposed amendment(s):					
will be entered upon filing of a Notice	of Appeal and an Appeal Brief.				
🗓 will not be entered because:					
f X they raise new issues that would re	equire further consideration and/or search. (See note below).				
they raise the issue of new matter.	(See note below).				
they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal.					
they present additional claims with	out cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.				
	35 USC 112, 1st paragraph have not been overcome. In claims 70 and 86,				
	rmable means for transferring a major portion of torque" raises new issues				
†eett/recess. (See the o- Applicant's response has overcome th	e. Means for transferring torque may be a transfer member, such as bolt or five action mailed 9/1/199). e following rejection(s):				
□ Newly proposed or amended claims	would be allowable if submitted in a				
separate, timely filed amendment cancelli	ng the non-allowable claims.				
The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconst for allowance because:	sideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition				
The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be consider the Examiner in the final rejection.	dered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by				
X For purposes of Appeal, the status of the	claims is as follows (see attached written explanation, if any):				
Claims allowed: 90-92					
Claire attacked as Mana					
Claims rejected: 70-78 and 82-89					
The proposed drawing correction filed on	has has not been approved by the Examiner.				
Note the attached Information Disclosure	Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s)				
Other	Calls				
	Eileen Dunn Lillis				

Primary Examiner